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> IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In re: : Chapter 11 CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., : Case No. 08-35653 (KRH) <u>et</u> <u>al</u>.,

Debtors.

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: Jointly Administered

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION BY AND AMONG THE DEBTORS AND MITSUBISHI DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.

Upon consideration of the Debtors' Consent Motion For Approval Of Settlement Agreement And Stipulation By And Among The Debtors And Mitsubishi Digital Electronics America, Inc. (the "Motion"); the

Court having reviewed the Settlement Agreement And Stipulation By And Among The Debtors And Mitsubishi Digital Electronics America, Inc. (the "Settlement Agreement"), a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit A; the Court finding that (i) this Court has jurisdiction over the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; (ii) the Motion is a is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); (iii) venue of these cases in this district and before this Court is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; (iv) due and proper notice and service of the Motion has been given in compliance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3007 and 7004 and LBR 3007-1 and was good and sufficient and that no other further notice or service of the Motion need be given; (v) the Settlement is fair and reasonable under the circumstances and entry into the Settlement Agreement is an exercise of the Debtors' sound business judgment; and (vi) approval of the Settlement Agreement is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, and creditors; and upon the record herein, and after due deliberation thereon and good and sufficient cause appearing therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Motion is GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Settlement Agreement annexed as Exhibit A is approved in all respects; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Debtors are authorized to take any and all actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of the Settlement Agreement; and it is further

ORDERED, that this Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or relating to this Order or the Settlement Agreement.

Dated: Richmond, Virginia
\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2010

Honorable Kevin R. Huennekens United States Bankruptcy Judge

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## CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT UNDER LOCAL RULE 9022-1(C)

Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9022-1(C), I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

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# EXHIBIT A

(Settlement Agreement)

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION BY AND AMONG THE DEBTORS AND MITSUBISHI DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.

This settlement agreement and stipulation (this "Settlement Agreement") is entered into by and among the above-captioned debtors and debtors in

possession (the "Debtors"), on the one hand, and
Mitsubishi Digital Electronics America, Inc.

("Mitsubishi" and together with Mitsubishi and the
Debtors, the "Parties" and each of which is a "Party"),
on the other hand.

#### GENERAL BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2008 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors each filed a voluntary petition in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Court") under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"); and

The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc.(6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), PRAHS, INC.(n/a), XSStuff, LLC (9263), Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courchevel, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for the Debtors is 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Suite #500, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

WHEREAS, the Debtors have continued as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2008, the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia appointed a statutory committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"); and

WHEREAS, to date, no trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases; and

WHEREAS, on January 16, 2009, the Court authorized the Debtors, among other things, to conduct going out of business sales at the Debtors' remaining 567 stores pursuant to an agency agreement (the "Agency Agreement") between the Debtors and a joint venture, as agent (the "Agent"). On January 17, 2009, the Agent commenced going out of business sales pursuant to the Agency Agreement at the Debtors remaining stores. As of on or about March 8, 2009, the going out of business sales concluded; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2009, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee filed the First Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation of Circuit City Stores, Inc.

and its Affiliated Debtors and Debtors In Possession and its Official Committee of Creditors Holding General Unsecured Claims (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the associated disclosure statement was approved on September 24, 2009, and confirmation of the Plan is currently scheduled for May 11, 2010; and

WHEREAS, generally, the Plan provides for the liquidation of the Debtors under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code; and

#### SETTLEMENT BACKGROUND

## A. The Mitsubishi Claims.

WHEREAS, Circuit City Stores, Inc. and
Mitsubishi are parties to that certain Dealer Agreement,
dated July 7, 2006 (the "Dealer Agreement") as well as
various side agreements, addendums and letter agreements
(the "Side Agreements" and, together with the Dealer
Agreement, the "Mitsubishi Agreements"). Pursuant to
the Mitsubishi Agreements, the Debtors purchased certain
Mitsubishi products (collectively, the "Product") for
resale in their retail stores; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 18, 2010, by consent of the Debtors and Mitsubishi, this Court

entered its Supplemental Order resolving the Debtors'
Fourth, Twenty-Third, and Forty-Second Omnibus
Objections with respect to Mitsubishi (D.I. 6871) (the "Settlement Order"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Settlement Order, all of Mitsubishi's claims, other than claim number 132 and claim number 12300, were withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2008, the Court entered an Order Establishing Bar Date for Filing Requests for Payment of Administrative Expense Claims under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105 and 503(b)(9) and Approving Form, Manner and Sufficiency of Notice of the Bar Date Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9007 (the "Administrative Expense Claim Order") (D.I. 107), which required each creditor with a claim for administrative expenses under Code Section 503(b)(9) to file a "Section 503(b)(9) Claims Request" in a form attached to the Order as Exhibit B, or alternatively, by motion, by the stated bar date.

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2008, Mitsubishi filed proof of claim number 132 against the Debtors' bankruptcy estates pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section

503(b)(9) (the "503(b)(9) Claim") pursuant to the Administrative Expense Claim Order. Therein, Mitsubishi alleged that it sold to the Debtors in the ordinary course of business \$4,965,976.18 worth of Product that was received by the Debtors within the twenty (20) days before the Petition Date; and

WHEREAS, as a result of payments made by the Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania (the "Insurance Company") to Mitsubishi pursuant to a policy for credit insurance, the Insurance Company holds or is subrogated to Mitsubishi's rights with regard to a portion of the 503(b)(9) Claim; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2009, Mitsubishi filed claim number 12300. Claim number 12300 was filed (i) in the amount of \$7,181,834.23 as a general unsecured claim, and (ii) in the amount of \$3,110,267.24 as a secured claim; and

### B. The Memorandum Opinion and Order.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Debtors' (I) FiftyFirst Omnibus Objection to Certain 503(b)(9) Claims and
(II) Motion for a Waiver of the Requirement that the
First Hearing on any Response Proceed as a Status

Conference (Docket No. 5214) (the "Fifty-First Omnibus Objection"), the Debtors sought to temporarily disallow the 503(b)(9) Claim pending the return of certain transfers alleged by the Debtors to be avoidable under Bankruptcy Code section 547; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2010, the Court entered a Memorandum Opinion and Order (D.I. 6228) sustaining the Fifty-First Omnibus Objection and temporarily disallowing the 503(b)(9) Claim to the extent of \$2,407,142.00; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2010, Mitsubishi filed its Notice of Appeal (D.I. 6755) and Motion for Leave to Appeal the Memorandum Opinion and Order sustaining the Fifty-First Omnibus Objection (the "Motion for Leave") (D.I. 6759); and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2010, the District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia granted the Motion for Leave (the "Appeal"); and

### C. The Adversary Proceeding.

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2010, Circuit City Stores, Inc. filed its Objection to Claim Nos. 132 and 12300 and Complaint Against Mitsubishi Digital Electronics America,

Inc. and The Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania, Adv. Pro. No. 10-03068 (D.I. 1); and

WHEREAS, rather than proceed with litigation concerning the Appeal, the Parties engaged in good faith, arms' length negotiations to resolve the Appeal at this time; and

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby STIPULATE AND AGREE that:

Date, as defined herein, or (b) the commencement of the hearing on confirmation of the Plan or any modification or amendment (in whole or in part) to the Plan (the "Deposit Date"), the Debtors will establish and fund a reserve in immediately available funds in lawful money of the United States of America in the amount of \$4,965,976.18 pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3020(a) for the exclusive benefit of Mitsubishi (the "Reserve") and will provide Mitsubishi with written confirmation that the Reserve has been fully funded.

- 2. The Reserve will be held in a specific interest bearing account, currently held at J.P. Morgan Chase, in which the Debtors hold amounts segregated for specific parties. The last four digits of the account are 0844.
- 3. The Parties agree that if Mitsubishi's 503(b)(9) Claim is ultimately allowed in whole or in part, Mitsubishi shall be paid the allowed amount of the 503(b)(9) Claim from the Reserve. Mitsubishi shall also receive from the Reserve the pro rata share of interest on the amount of the ultimately allowed 503(b)(9) Claim, if any, from the Deposit Date until the date the 503(b)(9) Claim is paid. Otherwise, any interest on the Reserve will be retained by, or made payable to, the Debtors' bankruptcy estates.
- 4. The Parties further agree that, upon the first business day immediately following the date on which the Court's order approving this Settlement Agreement becomes final and non-appealable (the "Dismissal Date"), and provided that Mitsubishi has received written confirmation from the Debtors that the Reserve has been fully funded, Mitsubishi shall cause

the Appeal to be dismissed with prejudice. Prior to the Dismissal Date, the Parties shall cooperate, one with the other, to request that the Appeal be stayed pending the occurrence of the Dismissal Date, but Mitsubishi shall be entitled to protect and preserve its rights in the Appeal pending the Dismissal Date and confirmation that the Reserve has been fully funded.

- any statement made or action taken in connection with the negotiation of this Settlement Agreement, shall be offered or received in evidence or in any way referred to in any legal action or administrative proceeding among or between the Parties hereto, other than as may be necessary (a) to obtain approval of and to enforce this Settlement Agreement or (b) to seek damages or injunctive relief in connection with such approval and enforcement.
- 6. Each Party hereto shall execute and deliver any and all additional papers, documents and other assurances, and shall do any and all acts and things reasonably necessary or appropriate in

conjunction with the performance of their respective obligations hereunder.

- 7. No provision of this Settlement Agreement is intended to confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations or liabilities hereunder upon any person other than the Parties hereto and their respective successors (including, as to Mitsubishi, the Insurance Company with regard to its interest in a portion of Mitsubishi's 503(b)(9) Claim).
- 8. Except where preempted by applicable federal law, this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia without regard to any choice of law provisions.
- 9. This Settlement Agreement may be signed in counterpart originals and delivered by facsimile or email, which, when fully executed, shall constitute a single original.
- 10. This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties regarding the Settlement Agreement and the subject matter thereof.

- 11. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction (and the Parties consent to such retention of jurisdiction) with respect to any disputes arising from or related to, or other actions to interpret, administer or enforce the terms and provisions of, this Settlement Agreement.
- Settlement Agreement on behalf of another person or entity represents and warrants that he, she, or it is duly authorized to execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of such person or entity, has the requisite authority to bind such person or entity, and such person or entity has full knowledge of and has consented to this Settlement Agreement. The representations and warranties set forth in this paragraph shall survive execution of this Settlement Agreement.
- 13. This Settlement Agreement shall not be modified, altered, amended or vacated without the written consent of all Parties hereto or order of the Court.
- 14. This Settlement Agreement and all of its terms shall be effective upon entry of an order

approving this Settlement Agreement (the "Effective Date").

15. This Settlement Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto, including any Chapter 7 trustee or the liquidating trustee under the Plan.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Settlement Agreement

is hereby executed as of May 3, 2010.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO BY:

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